

Unfortunately, it seems clear that we have not yet hit bottom. Many more hard working Americans, through no fault of their own, soon will lose their jobs. Mr. Speaker, all of these workers desperately need our help and they need it now.

Mr. Speaker, the human costs of this economic downturn for many of our fellow Americans are truly staggering. Airline and airport workers, transit workers, employees who work for airline suppliers such as service employees and plane manufacturers, all face common problems and challenges. Their mortgages, rents, and utilities still must be paid. Food must be placed on the table. Children must be clothed. Health care costs must be covered.

While some will get by by depleting their savings, the vast majority of those who have lost their jobs have little or no savings to deplete. All of these workers need a strong, flexible and lasting safety net, the kind that only the Federal government can provide.

With no income coming in and little prospect for prompt re-employment within their chosen field, these displaced workers must search for new jobs while few firms are even hiring. While some will find new positions quickly, many, if not most, will not. Some of this unemployment will be structural as some of these industries will be downsizing permanently. As a result, many workers will have to retrain in a new field or receive additional training in their chosen field simply to get re-employed.

So what is it that these workers need? Just like those workers who qualify for help under the Trade Adjustment Assistance Program, workers who lost their jobs because of the September 11th attacks need extended unemployment and job training benefits (78 weeks instead of 26 weeks). Those workers who would not otherwise qualify for unemployment benefits need the 26 weeks of benefits that H.R. 2946 would provide.

They especially need COBRA continuation coverage, that is, they need to have their COBRA health insurance premiums paid for in full for up to 78 weeks, or until they are re-employed with health insurance coverage, whichever is earlier. Those without COBRA coverage need coverage under Medicaid.

Mr. Speaker, this Congress acted quickly and responsibly to meet the challenges posed by the September 11th attacks. We acted as one to pass the Joint Resolution authorizing the use of United States Armed Forces against those responsible for the attacks against the United States. We heeded the call of all Americans and said: Never again.

We stood shoulder to shoulder with President Bush, our Commander in Chief, firmly united in our resolve to identify and punish all nations, organizations and persons who planned, authorized, committed, or aided the September 11th terrorist attacks, or harbored such organizations or persons. We unanimously passed the \$40 billion Emergency Supplemental Appropriations bill to finance some of the tremendous costs of fighting terrorism and of helping and rebuilding the communities devastated by these horrendous attacks. We provided cash assistance and loan guarantees to the airline industry.

Now, Mr. Speaker, we must demonstrate the same resolve, the same commitment on behalf of our workers. Deeds, not just words, are required. All of these hard working, innocent displaced airline workers and their families desperately need our help. We must hear

and answer their pleas. They need our help and need it now. We cannot rest until we have met their needs. I urge all of my colleagues to join with me to support H.R. 2946 and H.R. 2955.

A TRIBUTE TO FRED MCALL

HON. BOB ETHERIDGE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 3, 2001

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Campbell University Coaching Great and my former basketball coach Mr. Fred McCall.

A native of Denver, North Carolina, Coach McCall earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1948 from Lenoir-Rhyne College, where he was a three-sport standout. He was inducted into the Lenoir-Rhyne Athletic Hall of Fame in 1980. Following graduation he earned his master's degree from George Peabody College and then pitched professionally in the Carolina League at Hickory, in the Coastal Plain League at Rocky Mount, and in the Western Carolina League at Newton. A graduate of the Infantry School in Fort Benning, Georgia, he served as an officer during World War II.

Coach McCall joined the Campbell staff in 1953 and served the University with distinction for 33 years. He coached Campbell's basketball team to a 221-104 record in 16 seasons. Coach McCall directed his teams to five state junior college championships in eight years, then led the Fighting Camels through their first eight years of competition on the senior college level.

During his tenure as head coach and director of athletics, McCall coached three Junior College All-Americans—Len Maness, Bob Vernon, and George Lehmann.

In 1954, Coach McCall and Wake Forest Coach Horace "Bones" McKinney began the Campbell Basketball School, which has featured such outstanding sports greats as Coach John Wooden of UCLA. Forty-one years later, the School still ranks as the nation's oldest and largest continually running summer basketball camp.

Coach McCall developed the McCall Rebounder in the late 1950s to teach proper rebounding techniques. The device has been used by coaches in all 50 states and numerous countries worldwide and has been on display at the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Named Tar Heel of the Week by the News and Observer in 1969, Coach McCall resigned his basketball and athletic director duties on January 10, 1969, to accept an appointment as Campbell's Vice-President of Institutional Advancement. He served in that capacity until 1979 when he was named Vice-President for Administration, a position he held until his retirement in 1986.

On June 13, 1994, Coach McCall was honored by being inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame.

Coach McCall and his wife, the former Pearle Klutz of Granite Quarry, have three daughters—Janet King, Leah Devlin, and Lisa Singletary—and six grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, Coach McCall not only taught others and me about basketball; he taught us

about life. Coach McCall not only helped make me a better player; he helped to make me a better human being. The life lessons taught to me and countless others by Coach McCall's special brand of coaching are lessons we live by to this day. Coach McCall helped strengthen Campbell University, his community, and his country. On behalf of the people of North Carolina, I rise today to offer our eternal gratitude.

THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CLEVELAND POLKA ASSOCIATION

HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 3, 2001

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the 25th Anniversary of the Cleveland Polka Association, a long-standing organization in the Cleveland community that has brought happiness and fine music to thousands in the Northeastern Ohio area.

As long-time polka all-star Frankie Yanovic put it, Cleveland is a polka town! Originating in 1976, the Cleveland Polka Association has long been dedicated to preserving the polka heritage, and promoting interest in polka events. The CSA has been working diligently to establish close friendships among all those who have a great interest in polka music and dance.

The Cleveland-style polka has its roots in Slovenian folk music, but American musicians have given the polka a style that people of all backgrounds can enjoy. The Cleveland Polka Association devotes their time and energy to upholding great polka lessons, such as "If you can't do the Polka, don't Marry my Daughter", and "In Heaven there is no Beer." They will never really answer the question "Who stole the Kishka?"

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and recognizing the Cleveland Polka Association on their distinguished 25th Anniversary celebration. The polka music will be heard long and far as the CSA celebrates to the melodious tunes into the night.

BENNY PRILL: POLKA'S "GOLDEN STAR"

HON. JAMES A. BARCIA

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 3, 2001

Mr. BARCIA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Benny Prill for his induction into the Michigan State Polka Music Hall of Fame. Michigan is a state whose citizens are proud of their multi-cultural ancestry and who delight in celebrating that diversity with others. The Polish community is one of the proudest in Michigan, bringing with it a love for good food, good spirits, fellowship, dancing and the lively, foot-stomping traditions of the polka.

When Benny was just a toddler, he drove nails into a board to simulate an accordion and in doing so he became part of the rich heritage that all polka music enthusiasts share. Like many musical genres, polka is a mingling of many styles, including European classical music and folk music. During the Depression Era in the United States, a uniquely

American style developed that reflected the melting pot musical talents of the many immigrants who came to this country.

Like many polka lovers, Benny was introduced to the music at an early age and quickly developed a passion for it. During his school years, Benny played for weddings, dances, house parties and at many other functions. He was drafted into the army at eighteen and during his enlistment he joined a band called the Drifters. Once back home, Benny went on to play for the Golden Stars and most recently in the Polka Music Sound. Many polka fans have come to know Benny through bus trips he has organized throughout Michigan and Ohio for the promotion of polka music. He also hosts polka dances and is a part-time disc jockey for WKJC-FM in Tawas City.

For Benny and others, polka is more than just a type of music, it is a lifestyle that represents a culture and a warmth of spirit that attracts people from all over the world. Polka fans have their own language, with words such as "tubs" to describe a drum set or "boxman" to describe a concertina or accordion player. Benny has earned a reputation not only as a fine musician, but as someone who honors the customs and traditions of polka music so that future generations also will be able to enjoy it.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Benny Prill on achieving the Michigan Polka Music industry's highest honor. As a keeper of the polka flame, Benny will ensure that good music and lively dancing will live on for many years and I am confident that he will find even more ways of providing venues for all to enjoy the melodic energy of the polka.

HONORING MARVIN GREENBERG

HON. PETER DEUTSCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 3, 2001

Mr. DEUTSCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a man who will be greatly missed by all those who knew him. A man who served his country proudly, and a man who displayed immeasurable love for his work, his community, his life, and his family. It brings me great sadness to report that Marvin Greenberg of Plantation, Florida, passed away on September 24, 2001 at the age of 81.

Marvin Greenberg was born in Brooklyn, New York, where he was raised and attended high school. Upon graduation, he began what was to become a very long, meaningful life as a contributor to both his country and community in a variety of ways.

Before matriculating to college, Marvin was called upon by his country to serve in World War II. As a 1st Lieutenant in the United States Army, Marvin bravely commanded a tank battalion in the European Theatre. For the unwavering valor he showed in battle, Marvin was awarded both the Silver Star Medal and a Purple Heart with two clusters, a testament to his willingness to sacrifice himself for the freedom of our nation.

After returning home from Europe, Marvin attended Pace College and graduated with an accounting degree. Marvin went on to work as a production manager for a Brooklyn-based

company, and later became a successful national sales representative for a security company.

In 1983, Marvin moved to Plantation, Florida, where he would remain throughout the rest of his life. It was in Plantation where Marvin became an indispensable member of the community, becoming an avid advocate for those in his condominium community and within the city of Plantation as a whole. Passionate about the importance of equality, Marvin became a frequent visitor before the city council, where he argued for causes including housing, loans, and traffic safety. Marvin would join the Lauderdale West Democratic Club, where he was an active member of the Board for eight years and served dutifully as the President for four. Above all else, Marvin made certain that everyone had a voice, and that it was heard.

Mr. Speaker, Marvin Greenberg was both well-loved and widely respected by all those blessed to have known him. He is survived by his wife, Lee, his brother Irwin, his three children, Phil, Paula, and Ricki, and by his five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Marvin selflessly served his country and his family was a source of admiration and great pride. Today we celebrate Marvin's life, which serves as a wonderful example to all who follow in his footsteps.

LIMITATION ON PER COUNTRY SHARE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

SPEECH OF

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, September 24, 2001

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this legislation.

In May, the House passed legislation, the Foreign Relations Authorization Act that authorized both the release of the \$582 million and a third installment of \$244 million. However, two weeks before the House considered the bill, the United States was removed from the U.N. Commission on Human Rights. The House responded by adopting an amendment conditioning the third installment on the U.S. return to the commission. This legislation repeals that amendment and reschedules the untimely repayment of our U.N. dues.

As a delegate of the United Nations and Chair of the Commission on Human Rights, Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "Without the United Nations our country would walk alone, ruled by fear instead of confidence and hope." I believe that the American people want to walk in confidence with the U.N.

The majority of Americans consistently show a readiness to pay U.N. dues in full. Most recently a Zogby poll found that 62 percent of Americans believe that we should pay our delinquent dues. Another poll showed that 53 percent of Americans believe that the U.S. should not hold back dues as a means of pressuring the U.N.

It's regrettable that the U.S. lost its seat on the Human Rights Commission but I firmly believe there will never be an appropriate venue for this country to deny its responsibility. Instead of disengaging ourselves from the U.N.,

I believe that we should do just the opposite and support it with all our vigor.

I'm proud to support this legislation and I will continue to do all that I can to support full payment of our Nation's U.N. dues.

TASK FORCE ON MENTORING IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 3, 2001

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and to express my appreciation for the Montgomery County Task Force on Mentoring on its 10th anniversary. In late 1991, after completing a study, the Montgomery County Human Relations Commission concluded that a broad and determined mentoring program could vastly improve the current situations of the County's young males. Following a September 28, 1991 conference titled "Black Males in Crisis—Is Mentoring a Solution?" the Task Force was founded on December 16, 1991.

Functioning under the core belief, as stated by Jonathan Alter, Senior Editor of Newsweek, that, "no one succeeds in America without some kind of mentor—a parent, teacher, coach, older friend—to offer guidance along the way," the task force has grown into an umbrella organization for dozens of non-profit organizations providing mentorships for high risk youths. Annually the task force helps a significant number of children and young adults within Montgomery County.

Another of the Task Force's core beliefs: "reaching out together as a united community, we will make a difference," should become a mantra for all Americans. Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating the Montgomery County Task Force on Mentoring, for their commitment to improving our community.

My thanks to Mr. John Smith, president of the task force and to all of its members for the outstanding and valuable service they provide to the citizens of Montgomery County.

MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS' RIGHT TO REPAIR ACT

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, October 3, 2001

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, on August 2, 2001, I introduced HR 2735, "The Motor Vehicle Owners' Right to Repair Act of 2001" to ensure that all motoring consumers have the freedom of choice of where, how and by whom to have their vehicles repaired, maintained and to choose the parts of their choice. I introduced HR 2735 to offer protection to consumers who will suffer from high, non-competitive prices.

But since the introduction of HR 2735, my state of New York and the United States have been changed forever by the devastating attack of September 11th on American lives, our way of life, and our economic foundations. It is now more important than ever for the passage of HR 2735, which will bring economic relief to consumers and small business.